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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Office of the Governor

Columbia

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EXECUTIVE ORDER AND PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, it has been made to appear to my satisfaction that there presently exists on the campus of the University of South Carolina, an institution of higher learning located in the City of Columbia, County of Richland, State of South Carolina, a state of emergency, and

WHEREAS, there is now being committed acts of violence and threats of violence and there is now being manifested a common disregard for law which prevents the normal and proper operations of the University of South Carolina, and

WHEREAS, the said acts interfere with the academic freedom and educational processes of the large majority of students desiring to pursue their education at the University of South Carolina, and

WHEREAS, these acts and threats prevent the administration and faculty of the University of South Carolina from carrying out their responsibilities at the University of South Carolina, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned disorders are of such a general nature that they constitute a danger to the persons and property of all citizens, most especially those engaged in attempting to pursue their academic endeavors, and those which threaten the peace and tranquility as well as the public property of this state, NOW, THEREFORE,

PURSUANT TO THE CONSTITUTION, STATUTES, AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, and upon request from the Administration of the University of South Carolina, and in order to minimize the danger of life, limb, and property, and protect the rights

of those students desiring to further their education, I do hereby declare that a state of emergency does exist on the campus of the University of South Carolina and, I do hereby authorize, order and direct:

1. That any and all law enforcement officers of the state and its subdivisions and all other persons in authority do whatever may be necessary to maintain peace and good order within the area hereinbefore described until a state of emergency is declared by me no longer to exist; and

2. That pursuant to the above granted authority any law enforcement officer shall have the right to order any persons congregated in groups of six or more to disperse forthwith; and that entry upon the campus of the University of South Carolina shall be limited to students, members of the faculty, staff and employees, all of whom must have identification cards or specific authorization of the administrative officials of the University of South Carolina, or the Chief of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division; and

3. That a curfew be established between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. during which period no person shall be authorized to be on the campus except in their dormitory without a special written permit signed by the President of the University of South Carolina or his duly designated representative, or the Chief of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division or his duly designated representative; and

4. That each student, during the hours of curfew is to remain in his dormitory and all students not residing on the campus shall be required to vacate the campus during these hours; and

5. That upon the demand of either the Chief of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, the Administration of the University

of South Carolina, or the Chief of Police of the University of South Carolina, to vacate any building located in and upon the campus of the University of South Carolina, any person must vacate the building designated by the demand; and

6. That the Chief of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, J. P. Strom, is hereby authorized to issue any such directive and order as he may deem necessary to implement this Order and Proclamation; and

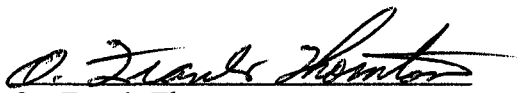
7. The provisions of this Executive Order and Proclamation shall remain in effect until such time as it is rescinded by me.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Columbia, South Carolina, this 11th
day of May, 1970.



Robert E. McNair
Governor of South Carolina

ATTEST:



O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of State